

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2216

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By Mr. Turkington of Falmouth, petition of Eric Turkington and others that certain junior operators of motor vehicles be authorized to participate in safe rides organizations programs. Transportation.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO SAFE RIDES FOR INDIVIDUALS IN UNSAFE SITUATIONS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 8 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2 the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after the  
3 word “guardian” in line 72 the following:  
4 “; provided further, that the police chief in a city or town is  
5 hereby authorized to waive the enforcement of this section where  
6 a junior operator is a participant in a recognized safe rides organi-  
7 zation designed to provide transportation to individuals who find  
8 themselves in unsafe situations. Said waiver shall apply only  
9 when the participant is on duty or traveling to or from a shift. Par-  
10 ticipation in such organizations shall not exempt the motor vehicle  
11 operator from the provisions of any other motor vehicle laws,  
12 rules, or regulations.”